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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner Japanese Patent Application KOKAI Publication No. 2000-073124 and

Japanese Patent Application KOKAI Publication No. 2001-222383 listed on the attached PTO Form PTO/SB/08. Applicant attaches copies of these documents.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO/SB/08.

The documents cited in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in the enclosed Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office in a corresponding Japanese Patent application. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of the Office Action.

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